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Mary Lee Rosenkrantz

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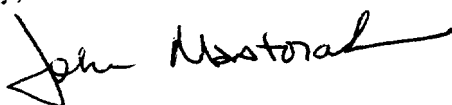
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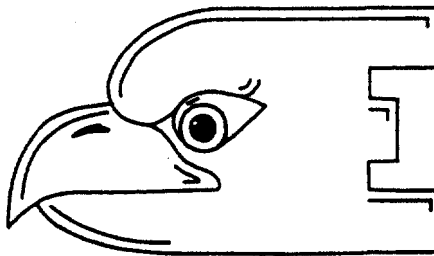
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Pamela Johnson
Economy Elementary PTA President
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Michelle Cummings PTA 1st Vice President
Tarpon Springs Fundamental Elementary School PTA
Tarpon Springs, Florida

Tarpon Fundamental Parents, and guardians (attached page signatures).

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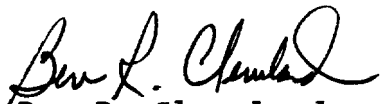
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Upon review of the recent rating system, I quickly determined that I was not anymore informed of what to expect on a television show than I had been prior to the rating. In summary, the current rating simply DOES NOT give enough information regarding the content of a program. I support the PTA's descriptive content based rating system of V - Violent Content, S - Sexual Content and Nudity, and L - Adult Language.

In closing, I want to thank you for the opportunity to voice my concerns, and hope that "it will not be in vain".

Sincerely,



Bev R. Cleveland
President, PTA - General Greene School
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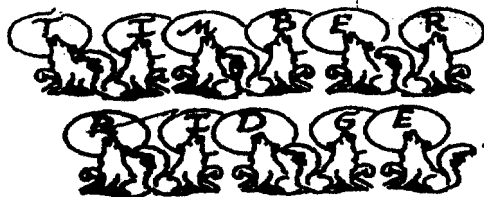
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RE: CS Docket Number 97-55, FCC 97-34

Dear Chairman Hundt and Commissioners:

I am writing to voice my opposition to the v-chip rating system as presented by Jack Valenti, Chair of the TV Rating Implementation Group, on January 17, 1997. The rating symbol on the TV screen does not provide sufficient content information so that parents can make decisions about what is appropriate TV programming for their children. Major surveys released this fall, conducted by the National PTA, *U.S. News and World Report*, and Media Studies Center/Roper, demonstrate overwhelming parental preference for a rating system that provides information to parents about the content of programs. Parents do not want the TV industry to interpret what is best for their children. Parents want to make those choices themselves based on program content information. Any rating system without content descriptions, both on-screen and publicized in TV schedules, is useless.

The FCC, by law, is required to determine whether the industry's rating system meets the statutory requirements of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. I do not believe that this system does so, and therefore request that the FCC decline to approve the industry rating system as proposed by the TV Rating Implementation Group. Instead, I request the following:

- The FCC should adopt a rating system that includes content information about programs such as V (for violence), S (for sexual depiction and nudity) and L (for language);
- The FCC require a V-chip band broad enough to allow parents to receive more than one rating system;
- The rating icon on the TV screen be made larger, more prominently placed on the screen, and appear more frequently during the course of a program;
- The rating board be independent of the industry and the FCC and that it include parents; and
- Any rating system approved by the FCC be evaluated by independent research to determine if it meets the needs of parents.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment on an issue so important to children and families.

Sincerely,

Julie Mendenhall

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The Honorable Rachelle Chong
Federal Communications Commission
1919 M Street, NW
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Commissioner Chong

We are writing to urge the Federal Communications Commission to hold a public hearing as part of its review of the television industry's ratings system.

The National Association for Family & Community Education and its affiliate, Indiana State Association, are grass-roots organizations which have been actively involved in family issues for the past 60 years. We are very concerned that the family issue of the recently implemented television ratings system does not address the needs of parents.

The questions generated by the current age-based television ratings system deserve a public hearing. We urge you to hold such a hearing soon on this issue which is so important to families in America today.

Sincerely,

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Federal Communications Commission
Office of Secretary

Dear Chairman Hundt and Commissioners:

RE: CS Docket No. 97-55, FCC 97-34

We are writing on behalf of the National PTA and the Cary High School PTSA in Cary, NC to voice our opposition to the V-chip rating system as presented by Jack Valenti, Chair of the TV Rating Implementation Group, on January 17, 1997.

1. The rating symbol on the TV screen does not provide sufficient content information so that parents can make decisions about what is appropriate TV programming for their children.
2. The FCC, by law, is required to determine whether the industry's rating system has met statutory requirements of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. WE do not believe this system does so and ask that the FCC not approve the industry rating system.

The Cary High School PTSA requests that:

- ★ Under no circumstances should the FCC approve the industry's rating system. Further, the FCC should accept no rating system that does not include content information about programs such as V for violence, S for sexual depiction and nudity and L for language
- ★ The FCC require a V-chip band broad enough to allow parents more than one rating system
- ★ The rating icon be made larger, more prominently placed on the screen, and appear more frequently during a program
- ★ The rating board be independent of the industry and the FCC; and that it include parents
- ★ Any rating system approved by the FCC be evaluated by independent research to determine if it meets the needs of parents

Thank you for this opportunity to comment on an issue so important to children and families.

Sincerely,

Barbara and Gary Moore

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Federal Communications Commission
Office of Secretary

Dear Chairman Hundt and Commissioners:

RE: CS Docket No. 97-55, FCC 97-34


I am (we are) writing on behalf of the National PTA and the Baldwin PTA (local, council, district, or state PTA) to voice my (our) opposition to the v-chip rating system as presented by Jack Valenti, Chair of the TV Rating Implementation Group, on January 17, 1997. The rating symbol on the TV screen does not provide sufficient content information so that parents can make decisions about what is appropriate TV programming for their children. Major surveys released this fall which demonstrate overwhelming parent preference for a rating system that gives parents information about the content of programs were conducted by the National PTA, *U. S. News and World Report*, and Media Studies Center/Roper. Parents do not want the TV industry to interpret what is best for their children. Parents want to make those choices themselves based on content information about the program. Any rating system without content descriptions on the screen and publicized in periodicals that carry TV scheduling is useless.

The FCC, by law, is required to determine whether the industry's rating system has met statutory requirements of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. I (we) do not believe this system does so and ask that the FCC not approve the industry rating system. Instead, we request the following:

- That under no circumstances should the FCC approve the industry's rating system. Further, the FCC should accept no rating system that does not include content information about programs such as V (for violence), S (for sexual depiction and nudity) and L (for language);
- That the FCC require a V-chip band broad enough that would allow parents to receive more than one rating system;
- That the rating icon on the TV screen be made larger, more prominently placed on the screen, and appear more frequently during the course of a program;
- That the rating board be independent of the industry and the FCC and that it include parents; and
- That any rating system approved by the FCC be evaluated by independent research to determine if it meets the needs of parents.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment on an issue so important to children and families.

Sincerely,


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Federal Communications Commission
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The Honorable Reed Hunt
Federal Communications Commission
1919 M Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20554

Commissioner Hunt:

We are writing to urge the Federal Communications Commission to hold a public hearing as part of its review of the television industry's rating system.

The National Association for Family and Community Education and its affiliate, North Carolina Extension Homemakers Association, are grass-roots organizations which have been actively involved in family issues for the past 60 years. We are concerned that the family issue of the recently implemented television rating system does not address the needs of parents.

The questions generated by the current age-based television rating system deserve a public hearing. We urge you to hold such a hearing soon on this issue which is so important to families in America today.

Sincerely,

Birdie B. Reynolds
Pose Creek Ext. Homemakers Ass, Inc.

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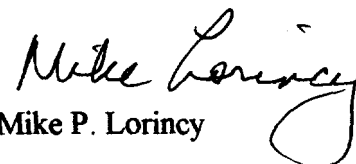
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Federal Communications Commission
Office of Secretary

Dear Sir:

I am a high school student in Upper St. Clair, Pennsylvania and I am currently working on a research paper involving the recent debate over the topic of a TV ratings system. I would greatly appreciate if you could assist me by sending me your opinions and ideas on this topic, and if you could you tell me your view as to the effectiveness of the V-chip. Do you support the V-chip or do feel that a more/less complex device would better suit the demands of the American people at this time? If you are unable to send me information, I would greatly appreciate it if you could please tell me where I could locate more information on this topic. Thank you very much.

Sincerely yours,


Mike P. Lorincy

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Federal Communications Commission
Office of Secretary

Dear Mr. Hundt,

I would like to address
my concern over the TV
industry's rating system.

I feel it is totally
worthless as an "age
based" system.

As a concerned grand-
mother, I am encouraging
you to implement an
"Content based" system.

It's the only thing
that makes any sense.

Sincerely,
John Rainwater

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Commissioner Chong

We are writing to urge the Federal Communications Commission to hold a public hearing as part of its review of the television industry's ratings system.

The National Association for Family & Community Education and its affiliate, Missouri State Association, are grass-roots organizations which have been actively involved in family issues for the past 60 years. We are very concerned that the family issue of the recently implemented television ratings system does not address the needs of parents.

The questions generated by the current age-based TV ratings system deserve a public hearing. We urge you to hold such a hearing soon on this issue which is so important to families in American today.

Sincerely,

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Federal Communications Commission
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The Honorable Roschelle Chong
Federal Communications Commission
1919 M Street, NW
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Commissioner Roschelle Chong

We are writing to urge the Federal Communications Commission to hold a public hearing as part of its review of the television industry's ratings system.

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Sincerely,

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The Honorable Racheelle Chang
Federal Communications Commission
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Commissioner Chang

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